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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

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Serial No.:

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For: COLORING COMPOSITION

## **PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please amend the captioned application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Please rewrite claim 6 as follows:

6. (Amended) A transparent colored image formed by irradiating a composition according to claim 2 with activation energy rays.

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6. (Amended) A transparent colored image formed by irradiating a composition according to [any one of claims 2 through 5] <u>claim 2</u> with activation energy rays.